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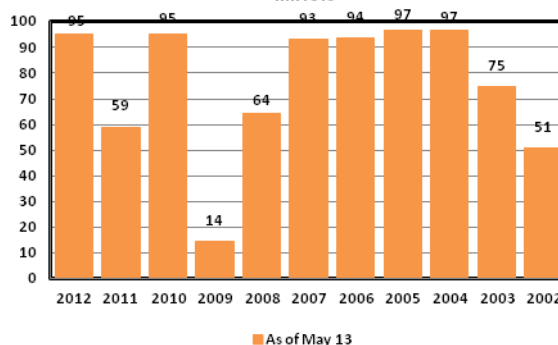
Last week, weather patterns returned to more normal conditions than in previous weeks and fieldwork resumed at a brisk pace in most parts of the state. Statewide precipitation averaged 0.67 inches, 0.34 below the average and temperatures were 62.0 degrees statewide. The drier conditions led to 4.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Corn planted reached 95 percent statewide, 30 percent above the 5-year average of 65 percent. Corn emerged reached 76 percent, 41 percent above the 5-year average. Now that many producers have finished corn planting, most have turned their attention to soybean planting or hay cutting. Soybeans planted jumped 23 points to 44 percent, 23 percent above the 5-year average. Alfalfa percent first cut now stands at 42 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 6 percent. A significant portion of the winter wheat crop began to turn yellow at 20 percent. Winter wheat conditions improved slightly to 1 percent very poor, 3 percent poor, 14 percent fair, 58 percent good, and 24 percent excellent. Topsoil moisture was rated as 2 percent very short, 10 percent short, 75 percent adequate and 13 percent surplus.

Crop Progress Percents

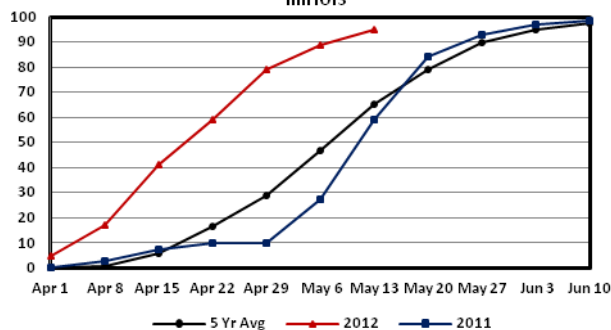
	This Week	Last Week	2011	5-Year Average
May 13				
CORN:				
Planted	95	89	59	65
Emerged	76	64	19	35
Average height	5	3	1/	1/
SOYBEANS:				
Planted	44	21	12	21
Emerged	14	7	1	3
SORGHUM:				
Planted	42	4	1	8
OATS:				
Headed	19	4	2	3
Filled	2	1/	1/	1/
WHEAT:				
Headed	92	87	50	48
Filled	57	33	5	5
Turning yellow	20	2	1/	1/
ALFALFA:				
First cut	42	21	3	6
RED CLOVER:				
Cut	46	29	1/	6

1/ Data not available or less than one percent.

Corn - Percent Planted
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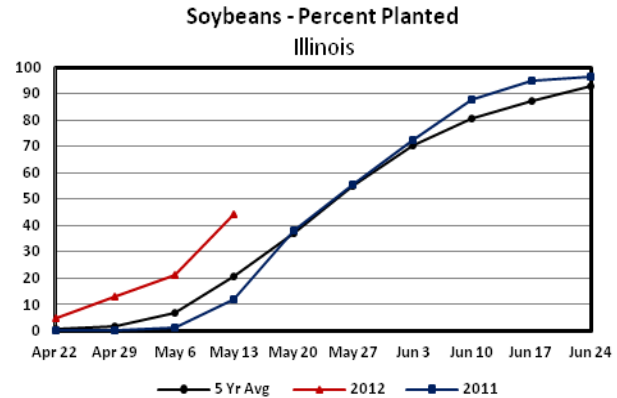
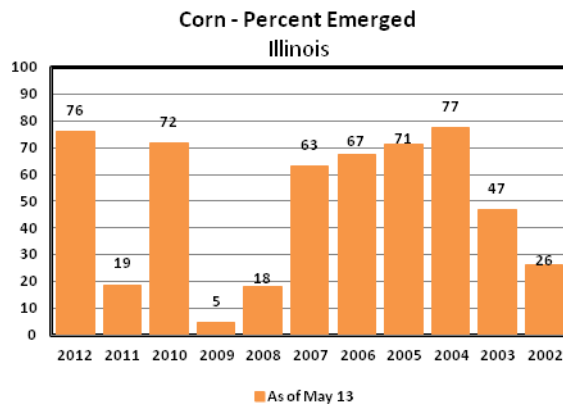
Corn - Percent Planted
Illinois



Crop Condition Percents

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
May 13					
Corn	1	3	22	60	14
Winter Wheat	1	3	14	58	24
Alfalfa	1	2	16	62	19
Red Clover	0	1	14	70	15
Pasture	0	2	15	64	19
Oats	0	3	26	62	9

District	Days Suitable For Fieldwork	Topsoil				Subsoil			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	May 7 - 13					May 13			
Northwest	4.1	-	3	90	7	1	6	91	2
Northeast	2.9	-	-	90	10	-	9	90	1
West	3.8	-	3	91	6	-	39	57	4
Central	5.5	2	19	58	21	3	17	65	15
East	3.9	-	12	73	15	3	17	79	1
W Southwest	3.8	-	2	73	25	1	10	75	14
E Southeast	5.5	-	19	72	9	2	19	75	4
Southwest	6.3	10	9	76	5	2	14	84	-
Southeast	5.0	13	24	53	10	17	27	53	3
State	4.4	2	10	75	13	2	16	76	6

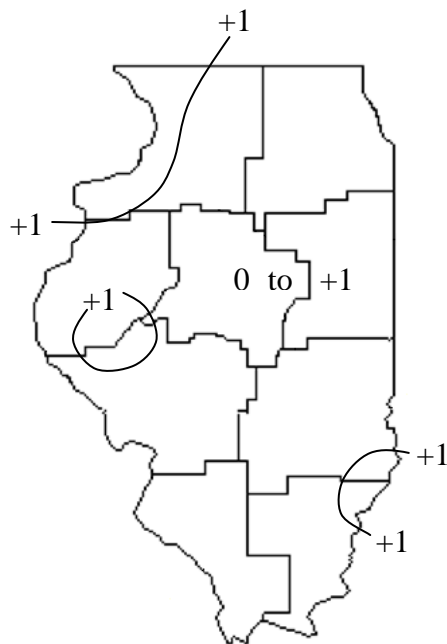


Crop Progress Percents by Districts

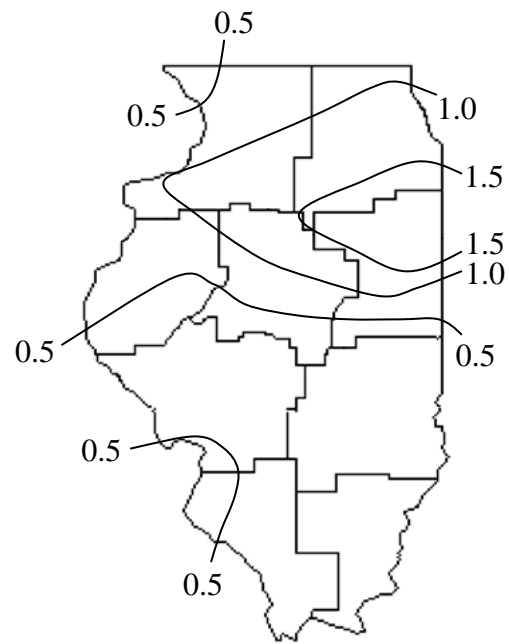
District	Corn Planted	Corn Emerged	Soybeans Planted	Soybeans Emerged
May 13				
Northwest	93	50	31	6
Northeast	91	72	22	3
West	98	64	53	14
Central	99	81	47	13
East	99	94	46	19
W Southwest	95	90	42	12
E Southeast	93	83	50	16
Southwest	97	79	34	7
Southeast	96	76	53	30
State	95	76	44	14

Weather Information Table

District	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure	Since May 1	Departure
May 7 - 13						
Northwest	60.4	1.5	1.01	-0.06	179	45
Northeast	58.2	0.2	1.34	0.43	154	28
West	62.4	1.3	0.53	-0.49	214	63
Central	61.4	0.7	0.61	-0.46	204	54
East	60.8	0.5	1.54	0.59	205	58
W Southwest	63.3	1.0	0.31	-0.75	233	71
E Southeast	63.5	1.1	0.19	-0.85	239	76
Southwest	63.8	0.3	0.32	-0.66	253	78
Southeast	64.8	1.0	0.21	-0.80	260	83
State	62.0	0.9	0.67	-0.34	214	61



Temperature (°F) Departure
May 7 - 13



Precipitation (in.) Total
May 7 - 13

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